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## INVITES CUBA TO ENTER THE UNION

Solution Proposed by Representative Newlands of the Ways and Means Committee.

## THINKS IT THE

This Effect, Also Providing for a Temporary 25 Per Cent. Reduction of Duty on Sugar, Effective Until Jan. 1, 1903-Judge Taft Continues His Explanation of Philippine | code. Affairs-Tells of Differences Be-Military, but Denies That They Conference and Concession-High Estate of Filipino Women.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

also authorizing a 25 per cent. reduc- understanding after a prolonged contion of duty on the present crop of ference."

Cuban sugar, in consideration of "Our of Cuba's granting preferential rates to the understanding that a writ of the United States. The resolutions habeas corpus would not lie against confine the 25 per cent. reduction of military officers, a civilian employe of Mr. Newlands, in explanation of his resolution, said: "All those who have appeared to voice Cuba's needs and re- had been some differences of opinion quirements have indicated that an in- as to other matters in the method of vitation to Cuba of annexation would administration and that naturally the be accepted. Annexation by force natives were more favorably inclined would not be justified. It must be ac- toward the civil government because complished, if at all, by the free act they were represented by men of their of the Cuban people. At present there own nationality in that branch of the is no machinery in Cuba by which the service, while on the other hand the Cuban constitution has been adopted. The Cuban congress will meet in February, a Cuban government will be organized, and the United States will favor on the civil institutions, then leave the control of the island to people. Cuba then will be in a position to express her will, and it is only necessary to tide over the present emergency by a temporary measure, such as I have introduced, reducing the duty on Cuban sugar one-fourth for one year and inviting Cuba to become a part of the United States under a territorial form of government, under the constitution, her people to be citizens, not subjects, with the assurance that ultimately statehood will be granted.

would under reciprocal trade arrangements, for the reason that the restrict- are courteous. The Filipino also shows ed labor laws of this country will apply and will raise the cost of production to such an extent as to prevent true that the Filipino is as industrious over-stimulation of her industries, as is claimed, but he is not. Indeed, while her supplies will be bought in there are many of them who might the high protected markets of this secure work who do not seek it. This country instead of the cheap markets condition leads to demand for the of the world. I much prefer political bringing in of Chinese." union, for that involves the best kind commercial union that can be established between the two countries. "Such an annexation is entirely in line with the traditional principle of erally contend for the necessity the country. When the time for state- bringing in Chinese labor. This imhood comes, Cuba. Porto Rico and portation was, however, generally re-

"By coming into our political union,

Cuba will secure immediately the high-

est degree of freedom and with it a

large market for her varied products.

other West Indian islands in our posunion as one state, thus doing away in the senate."

### Dull Day in the House.

house today whereby the oleomargarine bill will be brought to a vote after two more days of consideration, one to be devoted to general debate and one to debate under the five minute rule. The debate today continued in desultory fashion without special incident. Tomorrow the bill will be laid aside to permit action on the legislative. executive and judicial appropriation

### Senate Proceedings Uneventful.

. Throughout today's session the senate had under consideration the urgent deficiency appropriation bill, and just before adjournment passed it subreported to the senate by the com-

During the early part of the session the case of Judge Arthur H. Noyes, of the district court of Alaska, and Alexander McKenzle and others was discussed. Mr. McCumber, of North Dakota, delivered an elaborate speech ih He paid a high personal tribute to both men, characterizing them as men of fine character, eminent abiland steriing integrity, incapable of doing the things with which they had been charged. Incidentally he criticized the circuit court of appeals, of San Francisco, for permitting itself to be influenced by prejudice and He became involved in a colicquy with Mr. Tillman, who said he appeared in the novel attitude of a defender of the United States judiciary.

Taft on Philippine Affairs.

In his report before senate commiton the Philippines today Governor Taft dealt especially with the ques-

Governor Taft said that originally the and that naturally there had been some difference of opinion between the military authorities and the commission as to the method of proceeding. The difference had arisen with General MacArthur, and there had been more or less correspondence on the subject. The general had contended that authority over the islands was vested in the chief executive, because the islands | Germany to participate in the intervention Introduces a Joint Resolution to difference did not, however, extend to of the Maine, when it was believed intervention

he said, had arisen over the habens position to prevent the Spanish-American war. corpus provision in the commission's That provision had been inserted, he said, to protect native offtcers who surrendered and who were tween the Commission and the subject to arrest on charge of crimes committed while in the insurrection service believed to be contrary to the Were Acute-Settled by Mutual rules of civilized warfare. Such Knoxville Citizens Make a Grand charges against the men were common, and often they were unfounded. The provision had, however, been in-

voked in the interest of an enlisted man serving in Cuba, who was seeking to obtain his release from the military Washington, Feb. 5.-Rebresentative service in an indirect way. Thus : Newlands, of Nevada, of the ways and conflict had arisen, and the question means committee, who was the author had been referred to Washington. The of the resolution annexing Hawaii, to- result was that instructions had come day introduced a joint resolution invit- back that the differences must be coming the republic of Cuba to become a promised. "General Chaffee and I are part of the United States, first as a on the friendliest and most cordial territory, and then as a state of the terms," the governor continued, "and union, to be called the state of Cuba; we had no difficulty in reaching an

"Our compromise was reached or

an be cested. But the bringing the war to an end. my - .... principally concerned in thought, however, the military authori-

> In reply to a question, Governor Taft said there are thirty-four organized where thousands of persons shook and fifteen unorganized provinces. In hands with Admiral Schley. The foranswer to a question by Senator Palterson the governor said it was not true that a majority of the people can read and write. As to the position of women in the Islands, he said that the women of the Philippines hold a superior position. They are the active managers in general affairs and the Spanish archbishop had said to him that if it was intended to confer any political authority upon the Filipinos t should be conferred upon the female

Filipinos Well-Behaved and Polite. Governor Taft said that he had never These products will not threaten our met a Filipino who was not a musician sugar industry so seriously as they and he added: "All Filipino crowds are well-behaved and polite, and the people eapacity for skilled labor, but he is negligent of machinery. I wish it were

This statement led Senator Hale to make inquiry concerning the presence of Chinese. The witness replied that the contractors and business men gensented by the natives, not so much session can be incorporated into the because of the competition of the Chinese as laborers as because of their with the danger of over-representation competition as merchants. The Chinaman generally saves his wages and in a few months would establish a mercantile establishment, the result being An agreement was reached in the that the next door neighbor, who is a native, will be driven out. He said further that under the present regula-

tions no Chinese are admitted. Replying to other questions, Governor Taft stated that in the islands held by private persons, and that of this 403,000 acres are owned by the Catholic friars. Of these 403,000 acres, 250,000 are the best lands in the islands.

As to the honesty of the native Filpino Governor Taft said that many Pittsburg, and was composed of the exaggerated and extreme pictures had been drawn. They were neither so bad nor so good as they had been reported. bins and O. A. Blackburn; Pennsyl-Many were arrested for theft and there vania miners, Patrick Dolan and Wilalso were charges of treachery and stantially in the shape in which it was duplicity. That some are honest and others double-faced was true, but that all present these characteristics was

ization was possible. Referring to the order of concentration, Governor Taft said he had been lor and William Keefer; Illinois miners, misunderstood yesterday in saying that he had advised General Bell defense of Judge Noyes and Mr. Mc. against it. He had recommended that the order should not be made so wide to per cent, increase and the run-ofin its scope as it was.

## Steamship Arrivals.

By Exclusive Wire from the Astociated Press, New York, Feb. 5.-Cleared: Kensington, Ant-L'Aquitaine, Hayre; Rhein, Bremen St. Louis, Southampton; Oceanica, Lay erpool. Southampton-Sailed: Kaiser Wilhelm der Gross (from Bremen, New York via Cher Rotterdam-Arrived: Rotterdam, New York via Boulogue Sur Mer

### Was Thomas Gibb, of Pittsburg.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. New York, Feb. 5.—The body of a man wh killed himself in Battery park on January 25 b Taft dealt especially with the ques-shooting himself in the head, was today ident tion of the relationship of the civil and field as that of Thomas P. Gibb, 30 years old military authorities in the Philippines. Married and living at Pittsburg.

#### GERMANY AND SPANISH WAR. GAS EXPLOSION Official Report That Kaiser Declined to Act Against America.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Berlin, Feb. 5.-The German foreign office confirms the substantial accuracy of the subjoined statement on the subject of Germany's course toward the United States during the war with Spain, which the Kruez-Zeitung prints today. It is said that the article was civil and military control of the islands prepared by Prof. Schiemann, profeshad been in the hands of the military, sor of history at Berlin university, who enjoys special official sources of information. After a preface quoting the statement made by a British foreign office official on Jan. 21 last, he says:

Almost exactly four years ago the Spanish om-baseador here asked Germany whether Germany would lead in action against the United States for the protection of the monarchical principle. The answer was a definite refunal, and the same thority over the islands was vested in answer was given a month later, about the military as the representative of middle of March, when the invitation reached were in a state of war. In that view dertaken upon the initiative of Austrid. This the commission did not concur. This was in the weeks following the sad catastrophe the control of the municipalities.

Governor Taft explained at some length the contention between the commission and General Chaffee, which, he would be desired the commission and General Chaffee, which, he would be desired to be a superscript of the Maintenance and Spain. Nevertheless, our government that Germany was not in a

#### SCHLEY HONORED BY BIG PARADE

Turn Out in Tribute to the Santiago Sea Fighter.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Knoxville, Tenn., Feb. 5 .- The principal event today for the entertainment of Admiral Schley was a grand parade at 11 oc'lock. The parade was headed by the police marshal, his aides and a band. Then came Admiral Schley, escorted by Knoxville Knights Templar in full regalia.

Following the admiral's carriage came Spanish-American war veterans, Governor Benton McMillin and staff. Mayor J. T. McTeer, city council, city officials and members of the chamber of commerce, University of Tennessee band and cadets, Mrs. Schley, accomduties to the period prior to Jan. 1, 1903. the military branch or a prisoner of panied by Daughters of the American Revolution, Daughters of the Confederacy, Woman's Relief corps and other ladies in, carriages: Sixth regiment National Guard of Tennessee, in command of Colonel J. J. Mitchell, of Greenville: Grand Army of the Repubveterans, Confederate veterans, Sons of Veterans, Sons of Confederate Veterans, Greenville Military band, I

> izations, Knox county and Knoxvilla cavalcade and fire departments. was held in the woman's building. mal address of welcome was extended by President W. B. Lockett, of the

chamber of commerce. Past Grand Commander S. B. Dow, of the Tennessee Knights Templar, presented to Admiral Schley a hand- deafening roar and a cloud of dust lock the village of Clearfield finds itsome silver-headed hickory cane. The hickory was cut from the site of Admiral Farragut's birthplace and early home, thirteen miles west of this city. Upon the head was the inscription: "To Admiral Schley, from Coeur de damaged buildings suffered slight in- has its staff of political writers on the Lion commandery, No. 9, Knights juries from flying glass. Templar, Knoxville, Tenn."

Later Admiral and Mrs. Schley were entertained at dinner by Mr. and Mrs. B. Lockett, Tonight Admiral Schley was tendered a banquet in the Woman's building, and President Lockett presented Admiral Schley with a handsome gold and silver loving cup on behalf of Knoxville's citizens. Simultaneously, Mrs. Schley was entertained at dinner in the music room in the Woman's building.

### THE INDIANAPOLIS MINE DEADLOCK

of No Change in the Position of Operators and United Mine Workers. In Hands of Sub-Committee.

By Exclusive Wire from the Associated Press, Indianapolis, Ind., Feb. 5.-The labor of solving the scale problem between dent of the exposition. At this Workers was taken from the joint scale committee this morning and consideration of the scale propositions submitted by the miners and to report hotel, there are about 5,000,000 acres of land at the earliest possible moment to the general committee, which will then call the joint conference together to act Washington Friday morning. upon the result. The appointment of the sub-committee was made at the instance of Francis L. Robbins, of

following representatives: liam Dodds; Ohio operators, Horace L. Chapman and J. H. Winder: Ohio miners, W. H. Haskins and D. Sulli-Indianapolis operators, W. not true. Hence no general character- Bogle and J. H. McClelland; Indiana miners, W. D. VanHorn and William Wilson: Illinois operators, H. N. Tay-

> W. D. Ryan and W. R. Russell. understood the operators have set their faces sturdily against the mine and differential propositions and have openly announced they will not recede from this position. As a compromise, they will agree to the price for mining coal now in force for an other year and will grant the demand for an open powder market. On the other hand, the miners, as reported, have served notice that their will be no abandonment of the demand for an

increase of wages. Rough Rider Convicted of Murder. By Exclusive Wire from the Associated Press.

Cumberland, Mil., Feb. 5.—John Murphy, of New York, rough rider in the Spanish American war, was today convicted of murder in the first degree for stabiling John English, of Newark, N.

# KILLS THIRTEEN

Two Story Frame Building in Ghicago Blown to Kindling Wood.

#### FIVE BODIES HAVE BEEN TAKEN OUT

By an Explosion of Illuminating Gas in the Basement of a Chicago Frame Building, Thirteen Persons Are Thought to Have Perished. The Trostle Family of Eight Members All Dead-Building a Wreck. Explosion Supposed to Have Been Due to Escaping Gas in the Base-

By Exclusive Wire from the Associated Press. Chicago, Feb. 5.-Thirteen lives were ost, many people slightly injured, two buildings at 372 and 374 Twenty-second street were wrecked and \$50,000 damage was done by an explosion of gas tonight at the intersection of Twenty-second street and Archer avenue. Following are the dead and injured; OTTO TROSTLE, 35 years of age, butcher, MRS, OTTO TROSTLE, 35 years old.

OTTO TROSTLE JR. LENA TROSTLE, 7 years old. ANNIE TROSTLE, 9 years old. MAMIE TROSTLE, 11 years old. FRED TROSTLE, butcher, nephew of Otto, 23

SOPHIE KNIGHT, domestic in Trostle family, MARY ROSENTHAL, 32 years old.
MRS. M. KAUFERF, 374 Twenty-second street.

MAMDE KAUFERT, 4 years old, ANDREW ROLD, conner with Mrs. Kaufert, Quite a number of persons were in-

jured. The bodies recovered are those of Otto Trostle, proprietor of a meat market at 376 Twenty-second street: Mrs. Otto Trostle, Otto Trostle, jr., Minnie

Trostle, Annie Trostle. Among the dead are supposed to be three children of the Trostle family nor Walter Lyon has been excused. whose bodies have not yet been recovered. It is known positively that they were in the house at the time, but a his attachment on Representative John search of the neighborhood has not J. Sweeney, at Pittsburg, but could members of a number of secret organ- shown any trace of them. There were not find any of the others named in his six children in the family and there is warrant. little doubt that all the eight members The parade was viewed by Admiral of the family were killed. The three ported out of town and Representative and Mrs. Schley from the court house other people who are said to be dead McTighe had beaten the warrant back whom the president talked upon the was taken, however, reminds me that square, after which a public reception are supposed to be customers in the to Clearfield. The deputy was inplosion.

> The direct cause of the explosion is not known, but all indications show basement of the Trostle house. The explosion came without an instant's warning. There was a flash, a

and shattered timbers where the Trostle self loaded to the guards with "stateshouse had stood. On both sides of Archer avenue every pane of glass was blown out for a block and a number of residents in the

Adjoining the Trostle establishment on the west at 274 Twenty-second street was a two-story frame building in which John McLeod had a saloon. vanished in the same second as the meat market. It was reported that one or two people were killed here, but the story could not be substantlated.

#### PRESIDENT'S TRIP SOUTH. Will Leave for Charleston Exposition Next Monday Evening.

By Exclusive Wire from the Associated Press. Washington, Feb. 5.-President and ballot was taken. It resulted as fol-Mrs. Roosevelt and the party who will lows: accompany them to the Charleston exposition will leave here for the South Richard H. Nelson, rector of Old St. next Monday night in a special train Peter's church, Philadelphia, 76; and over the Southern railway.

definitely fixed, but the train will reach date by a majority of 3. Somerville, S. C., on Tuesday afternoon. Tuesday night will be spent at prise, the Pine Forest Inn at that place, us the guests of Captain Wagner, presimine operators and United Mine the party will inspect the tea farms nearby. On Wednesday, the party will go to Charleston, spending the day in turned over to a sub-committee, with the city and at the exposition grounds instructions to enter at once on a At night a banquet will be given the president and party at the Charleston

The return journey will begin Thursday, Feb. 13. The train will reach president's party will be Secretaries Wilson and Hitchcock, Attorney General Knox and Postmaster General Payne and the ladies of their families.

### MINE HOURS REGULATED.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Paris, Feb. 5 .- The chamber of depuies today, after a long discussion by a vote of 338 to 219, adopted a bill regu-lating the period of daily work in the mines. This bill provides that a ninehour day shall be instituted at the coal pits at the end of six months from the lay the measure is adopted.

At the end of two years a day's work shall be reduced to eight and one-half hours and at the end of another two Perker's Landing, Pa. years it shall be reduced to eight hours.

#### De Larey's Commando Surprised. By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

London, Pcb. 5.—Lord Kitchener has sent the following message from Pretoria: "Major Lead-er's force surprised be Larcy's commando, killing seven and capturing one bundred and thirty-one. The British exidablies were slight; no British were killed."

### Mrs. Soffel Is Feverish.

By Exclusive Wire from the Associated Press. Butler, Pu., Feb. 5.—Mrs. Solid spens a bad night and she is quite feverish. She took no nouristment today, but while her condition is not so favorable her recovery is hopefully hooked for by her physicians. It will be several days before she can be removed to Pittsburg.

#### RUNNING DOWN DE WET. His Last Gun Taken and Chief Lieutenant's Force Routed.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. London, Feb. 5.-The British pursuit of General De Wet has been successful to the extent that his last gun has been captured and Commandant Wessels, one of his principal lieutenants, has been routed. Lord Kitchener sent the news in a despatch from Pretoria, dated Tuesday, Feb. 4. as follows: Byrg's column, while proceeding toward Liebenburgylei, after a night march, attacked and routed a considerable force of the enemy under Commandant Wessels. We captured a fifteen-ed and twenty-seven captured. Among the killed was Field Cornet Wessels. Among the prisoners is Captain Muller, of the Staats artillery. The enemy was scattered. Our casualties were slight. The National scouts, near Middleburg (Cape Colony), captured thirteen prisoners.

Plumer, near Amersfoort (Transvaal), cuptured even prisoners and 500 head of cattle. General Gilbert Hamilton captured thirty-two MISSING SOLONS

ARE ROUNDED UP

## Harris-Meek Libel Trial Likely to

Go On Today-Clearfield a Center of Political Interest.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. sides protesting that they seek an early the Harris-Meek libel case sewed up and will not begin before tomorrow evening. The amount of time consumed in rallway travel between the outside world and this snowbound village makes it improbable that any of the half dozen witnesses sent for can reach here before late tonight or pos-

sibly noon tomorrow. Those who are wanted include ex-Lieutenant Governor Walter Lyon, Speaker William T. Marshall and Representative John J. Sweeney, of Pittsburg, also Representative John H. Smith, of Greene. Deputy Sheriff Dean Bloom was sent to Pittsburg to get

these men.
John P. McTighe, of Pittsburg, reached here ahead of any attachment that might have been issued for him. After noon today ex-Senator Meek announced that ex-Lieutenant Gover-Deputy Sheriff Bloom wired here after noon today that he had served

Speaker William T. Marshall was restructed to send out or get Representative Smith of Greene county.

day reported "will have Mr. Wolf there that it was due to escaping gas in the tomorrow." This leaves only Ward R. Bliss unaccounted for from that section

With court proceedings at a deadmen" and honored with the largest corps of newspaper writers the county has ever seen. Nearly every prominent Pittsburg and Philadelphia paper

### REV. DR. SMITH ELECTED.

It Washington Rector Is Chosen Coadjutor to Bishop Whitaker.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Philadelphia, Feb. 5.-The clergy of the Protestant Episcopal diocese Pennsylvania today decided upon the A. Mackey-Smith, D. D., rector of St. John's church, Washington, D. ., as coadjutor to Bishop Ozi W. Whitaker. The selection was later ratifled by the lay delegates. Only one

Rev. Dr. Mackey-Smith, 95; Rev. Dr. eleven scattering, making a total of The hour for departure has not been 182, and electing the successful candi-

The result of the bailot was a sur-

## THE BIDDLES BURIED.

Pittsburg Murderors Are Placed in a Single Grave. By Exclusive Wire from the Associated Press Pittsburg, Feb. 5 .- The bodies of Ed-

ward and John Biddle were buried in single grave at Calvary cometery this morning. Not more than twentyfive persons, including the brother, In the Harry Biddle, accompanied the bodies to the grave. The Rev. Father Swee-ney read the burial service of the Roman Catholic church, and as the grave was filled up the few mourners quietly returned to their homes.

It was expected that the cemetery would be crowded by curious persons. and a large force of police was on hand to preserve order, but their services were not needed.

#### Named by the President. By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Washington, Feb. 5 .- The president today sent the following nominations to the senate: Daniel B. Heiner, collecter of internal evenus. Eventyand district of Pennsylvania: James S. Young, United States attorney western district of Pennsylvenia; Samuel M. Turk, to be postmaster at

#### Explosion at Plymouth. By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Wilkes-Barre, Feb. 5.—An explosion of gas curred in the Lance mins at Plymouth wi hadly damaged the interior workings. The tire caused by the explosion was estinguished after some hard work. The collicry was not in operation at the time and none of the employes t

#### Archduke to Visit Czar. By Exchaige Wiresfrom The Associated Press.

Vienus, Feb. 5.-The Archquke Francis Ferdi and, heir presumptive to the throne of Ausburg. The trar's private train will meet him at the frontier. The visit of the archibite to the Russian capital is regarded as being of great

## SALISBURY FEARS THE IRISH NATION

MR. WIDENER ENTERTAINS.

Sumptuous Dinner Given in Honor of J. Pierpont Morgan.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Philadelphia, Feb. 5.-Peter A. B. room in this vicinity. The dinner was given in Mr. Widener's palatial mar-ble country home at Ashbourne, ten miles from this city. The principal guest was J. Pierpont Morgan, in whose honor the dinner was given. The occasion had no special significance; it was simply brought about through a desire of Mr. Morgan to see Widenor's art gallery, which is said to be one of the richest in the country, and estimated to be valued at \$5,000,000. Covers were laid for thirty-seven persons. The guests from New York arrived shortly before o'clock in a special train. Most of them remained at the house over night. Those present were:

From New York-J. Pierpont Mergan, S. Barston French, Charles Steele, Charles Lanier, F. Lynde Stetson, H. R. Rogers, E. J. Berwind, By Exchasive Wire from The Associated Press.

Clearfield, Pa., Feb. 5.—With both doir, John L. Waterbury.

From Chicago-Norman B. Ream, Hon, Elbert J. Gary, Marshall Feld. From London-Henry Wilding

From Baltimore-D. N. Baker, From Trenton-Governor Franklin Murphy, From Philadelphia—A. J. Cassatt, Clement A. Griscom, C. Stuart Patterson, Samuel Rea, Thomas Dolan, George A. Hulin, Theodore Veorhees, George F. Baer, George Philler, William E. Elkins, Edward E. Stetesbury, Colonel A. Loudon Snowden, Sidney T. Tyler, George W. El-kins, Rudolph Ellis, T. DeWitt Cuyler, John G. Johnson, George D. Widener and Joseph E.

## THE SCHLEY APPEAL.

By Exclusive Wire from the Associated Press, Washington, Feb. 5.-The Post to-

"It was stated last night that the president's response to the appeal of thoritation from our enemies on the Admiral Schley would be made public continent, since from the moment this action on the part of the Nerbelands

"It is understood that the response will be adverse to Schley, A visitor The deputy sent to Philadelphia to- majority of the court ought to be sus- period when there would be many per-

## LIKE THE WORK OF JESSE JAMES

Bank Looters, After Dynamiting the Safe and Capturing Its Contents, Kill Sheriff and Ride Away.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Clarksville, Ark., Feb. 5.-Robbers early today blew open the safe of the Bank of Clarksville with dynamite, secured a sum estimated at \$2,000, killed John Powers, sheriff of Johnston county, who attempted to capture them, and escaped before the citizens were

aware of their presence. Apparently there were from four to six men in the gang. They tied their horses in the outskirts of town and made their way unobserved to th bank which is slimited in the north side of the public square. After gaining entrance they destroyed the saff with dynamite, secured all the money available and made their way to the street. There they were confronted by Sheriff Powers who opened hire upon them. The robbers returned the fire. Powers stood his ground and emptied two revolvers before he was killed When citizens arrived on the scene a little later Powers was dead and there was no trace of the robbers, except a trail of blood that indicated that the sheriff had wounded one or perhaps

more of his assailants. Powers roomed on the second floor of an adjoining building and had been

twakened by the explosion. The bank officials today were unable to give the exact amount of plunder secured but stated that the bank vas insured against less.

All adjoining towns have been tele graphed to be on the lookout for the robbers. Powers had been sheriff of Johnson

county for twelve years and was known to be a fearless man and a crack shot. Governor Thomas tonight offered a reward of \$5,000 for the arrest and cor viction of the bank robbers and the Arkansas Bankers' Association offered a similar reward of \$500. These offers will be supplemented by additional rewards by the people of Clarksville.

A vigorous search is being made for the fugitives, but it is believed they have escaped into the mountains,

### Congress May Retire Hobson.

By Exclusive Wire from The Association Press. Washington, Feb. 5.- It is expected that for will be made to obtain congressional au-horization for the retirement from the naval ervice of Cuptain Robson. He bases his application on the had state of his eyes resulting from exposure in working on Spanish ships after the The naval reciring board concluded the refrement under the existing regulations, and recuttre must be had to congre-

#### ....... WEATHER FORECAST.

tania: Snow Thursday afternoon or night + with rising temperature; Priday prob-

Opinions in a Speech at the Un-

veiling of a Statue of the

Late Queen.

## RECENT EVIDENCE OF THEIR HATRED

The Premier Believes That an Irish Government with Power to Accumulate Arms and Ammunition Would Constitute a More Serious Menace to England's Safety Than the Boers-The Feeling of Hostility Expressed Has Been More Uncompromising Than Any Expressions from the Lips of Parnell or

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press, London, Feb. 5 .- Lord Salisbury, the premier, unveiled a life size marble statue of the late Queen Victoria at the

O'Connell.

Junior Constitution club tonight, Speaking at a dinner after the unveiling, the premier referred to the recent Dutch note in a tone, for him, of unusual flippancy. He said that doubtless some of his auditors thought it a bit of luck to catch a cabinet minister, and extract from him some information concerning that abortive crisis, which had lately filled columns in the newspapers. He doubted, however, if they would extract much. For himself he was unable to imagine the object of the Dutch government, for whose friendly feelings he had the greatest admiration, but he could not see the precise object they hoped to

gain by this curious step. "It was clear that the Durch," continued Lord Salisbury, "had no auaction on the part of the Netherlands government was announced these enemies vied with each other in declaring

the Dutch action to be undesired. "His majesty's government certainly at the white house yesterday, with knew nothing of the genesis of this movement. The fact that such a step subject, quoted the president as say- we have arrived at a condition of hings which, in a critical period of ing that he thought the verdict of the this character, always occurred, a sons attempting to bring numerous people of different views together and when there would be many suggestions

which it would be neither easy nor deirable to notice." The premier explained that his only reason for alluding to such things was that a time was coming when the people must think more of the suggestions of their intelligence, and less

of the suggestions of their emotions. "There is no longer any question of sentiment." continued Lord Salisbury. "We have entered upon a matter of business which we must bush through. What we are now seeking is security. Any peace which recognizes fully the rights of the sovereign, and gives us security for the empire, we should accept, not only with willing-

ness, but with delight. "It is useless to tell us to behave so as to leave a pleasant recollection in the minds of those with whom we

### are fighting.

Security for the Future. "The only result that can compensate for the sacrifice of blood and treasure is that, for the future, there shall be ecurity in that part of the empire upon which the ambition of Mr. Kruger has poured this abundance of sor-

w said he had no misor future and that he giving try more confident in its external polley, more convinced that its oblaions would receive due consideration from the community of nations. But when the present strain had passed away, continued the speaker, there would still remain duties which could not be shirked. The existence of hostile feeling in Ireland was a signal that the efforts, upon which depended in no light degree the glory and continuance

of the empire, must not be relaxed. "The maintenance of our position in Ireland is the most vital object the empire has, and it can only be attained by stronuous , exertions," said

the preculer. The premier asked if the Trish peaple loved the government better than they did formerly, and replied himself that they did not. He said the feelings of hostility which had been expressed were more uncompromising than any expressions which had ever issued from the lips of Parnell or O'Connell. An Irish government with power to accumulate arms and ammunition would constitute a more serious threat than had the Boers. Whilst the orthodox leader of the Liberal party had declared himself in favor of home rule, said the speaker, the semi-ortholox leader of that party, whose utterances were harder to interpret, while he had not pledged himself to home rule, had studiously avoided pledge from which the contrary might

e inferred. The premier concluded with saying hat the conspicuous duty of the Unionisist was to maintain a permanent junction between England and Ireland and that it was by sustaining this junction that they would maintain the greatness of the constitution and

#### the splender of the British empire. Danish Treaty Approved.

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